

March 3, 2010

Lisa P. Jackson, Administrator
United States Environmental Protection Agency
c/o Ms. Carol Rushin
Acting Regional Administrator
United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8
1595 Wynkoop Street
Denver, CO 80202-1129

Re: North Dakota State Implementation Plan for Regional Haze

Dear Administrator Jackson:

The State of North Dakota is hereby submitting an amendment to the State Implementation Plan (SIP) to address the requirements for Regional Haze of Section 308 of 40 CFR Part 51, Requirements for Preparation, Adoption, and Submittal of Implementation Plans, Subpart P - Protection of Visibility. This SIP amendment was prepared by the North Dakota Department of Health, Air Quality Division.

Seven steam electric generating units in North Dakota have been identified as being subject to the BART requirements of 40 CFR 51.308(e). The installation of BART on these sources will result in a reduction of 98,618 tons per year of sulfur dioxide emissions and a reduction of 21,137 tons per year of nitrogen oxides emissions from the 2000-2004 average emissions. These reductions will significantly improve visibility in North Dakota's Class I areas as well as those in surrounding states.

With this submission, I am requesting the United States Environmental Protection Agency's approval of this SIP amendment.

If you have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact Terry O'Clair, P.E., Director, Division of Air Quality, North Dakota Department of Health, at 701-328-5178.

Sincerely,

John Hoeven

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Enclosures

C: L. David Glatt, Chief, Environmental Health, ND Department of Health Terry O'Clair, Director, Division of Air Quality, ND Department of Health Gail Fallon, Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8

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